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Applicant : Zadno-Azizi ) Group Art Unit 3762  
Appl. No. : 09/636,278 )  
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For : OCCLUSION OF A VESSEL )  
Examiner : Unknown )

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Please amend the paragraph at page 1, line 3 as follows:**

B1 This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/026,106, filed February 19, 1998.

**Please amend the paragraph at page 7, line 7 as follows:**

B2 A mechanism is provided for compressing the self-expanding sealing mechanism 666 so that the apparatus can be inserted into the vessel and consists of an elongate sleeve 771 having proximal and distal extremities 772 and 773 and a bore 774 extending from the proximal extremity 772 to the distal extremity 773. A collar 776 is mounted on the proximal extremity 772 of the sleeve 771 and is positioned near the adapter 656. The collar 776 serves as a mechanism for retracting the sleeve as shown in Figure 2 to uncover the self-expanding sealing mechanism 666 after the catheter has been deployed to permit the self-expanding sealing mechanism 666 to expand and form a seal with the arterial vessel adjacent the stenosis to be treated.

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